Assembly Bill No. 1248

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Passed the Senate S	September 2, 2003
_	Secretary of the Senate
	d by the Governor this day of, 2003, at o'clockM.
-	Private Secretary of the Governor

CHAPTER _____

An act to add Section 13167.5 to the Water Code, relating to water.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1248, Aghazarian. Waste discharge requirements.

Existing law, the Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act, requires the State Water Resources Control Board and the California regional water quality control boards to carry out various duties relating to water quality, including the issuance of waste discharge requirements, water reclamation requirements, and related orders.

This bill would require the state board or the regional board, as appropriate, to provide notice and a period of at least 30 days for public comment prior to adopting waste discharge requirements, water reclamation requirements, or those related orders.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 13167.5 is added to the Water Code, to read:

- 13167.5. (a) The state board or the regional board, as applicable, shall provide notice and a period of at least 30 days for public comment prior to the adoption of any of the following:
- (1) Waste discharge requirements prescribed pursuant to Sections 13263 or 13377.
- (2) Water reclamation requirements prescribed pursuant to Section 13523.
 - (3) An order issued pursuant to Section 13320.
- (4) A time schedule order adopted pursuant to Section 13300 that sets forth a schedule of compliance and required actions relating to waste discharge requirements prescribed pursuant to Section 13263 or 13377.
- (b) The notification required by subdivision (a) may be provided by mailing a draft of the waste discharge requirements, water reclamation requirements, time schedule order, or order issued pursuant to Section 13320 to each person who has requested notice of the specific item, or by posting a draft of the respective

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requirements or order on the official Internet site maintained by the state board or regional board, and providing notice of that posting by electronic mail to each person who has requested notice.

(c) This section does not require the state board or the regional board to provide more than one notice or more than one public comment period prior to the adoption of waste discharge requirements, water reclamation requirements, a time schedule order, or an order issued pursuant to Section 13320.

Approved	, 2003
	Governor